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## **PATENT APPLICATION**

"System and Method for Rating Performance of Computing Grid Service Providers"

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

[0076] The performance of one or more resource vendors in a grid computing environment are automatically rated by receiving one or more resource self-reports, a set of client-driven performance criteria, and job results from a grid resource. Rating logic performs an analysis of the job results against the client-driven performance criteria and the self-reports, and produces a grid resource rating table which allows for future selection of grid resources to be performed based upon actual historical performance of the available resources and vendors.